

The Frank Boggs House  
Ellicott City  
Private

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One further section, a two story high, shed roofed addition, rests along two thirds of the west wall of the main building block, holding a central, rectangular, west entrance.

Fenestration is rectangular and double-hung, holding one-over-one lights. Windows are flanked by flat wooden pilasters, surmounted by flat wooden lintels and underlined by flat wooden sills.

The building features pedimented end gables, holding horizontal rectangular, one light windows.

The Frank Boggs House is one of five houses constructed on Kirn's Mill by Grover Kirn in 1913, acquired from his father, Jacob Kirn, who gave each of his children land on this side of Waterloo Road on which to construct their homes.

NO-148

HO-148  
Savage. Quad.  
Dist. 2

## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

MAGI# 1401485704

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Frank Boggs House

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

5306 Waterloo Road (MD 104)

CITY, TOWN

Ellicott City

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Howard

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT  
☒ BUILDING(S)  
☐ STRUCTURE  
☐ SITE  
☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC  
☒ PRIVATE  
☐ BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS  
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED  
☐ UNOCCUPIED  
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES RESTRICTED  
☐ YES UNRESTRICTED  
☐ NO

## PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE  
☐ COMMERCIAL  
☐ EDUCATIONAL  
☐ ENTERTAINMENT  
☐ GOVERNMENT  
☐ INDUSTRIAL  
☐ MILITARY  
☐ MUSEUM  
☐ PARK  
☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE  
☐ RELIGIOUS  
☐ SCIENTIFIC  
☐ TRANSPORTATION  
☐ OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Mr. &amp; Mrs. Frank Boggs

Telephone #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

5306 Waterloo Road

CITY, TOWN

Ellicott City

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21043

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC

Tax Map 31, blk. 13, p. 337  
Hall of Records

Liber #: 170

Folio #: 385

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Howard County Court House

CITY, TOWN

Ellicott City

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

Howard County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

1978-1979

☐ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN

21 State Circle, Annapolis

STATE

Maryland

## 7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		DATE _____

### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Frank Boggs House, constructed by Grover Kirn, faces east on the west side of Waterloo Road, just north of its intersection with Route 108. It is a frame (covered with wood shingles) building, in a "T" plan, resting on a granite block foundation, with a central, two story high, intersecting gable roof (running east-west) projecting central bay, holding the living room of the house, which features a one-story high, semi-conical roofed bay window on its south wall, while the main block, a two story high, gabled roof (running north-south), one bay deep, frame (covered with shingles) rectangular structure, behind the two story high, projecting bay, holds the entrance hall and kitchen. Along two thirds of the west wall of this main block a two story high, shed roofed addition has been added.

Fenestration is rectangular and double-hung, holding one-over-one lights. Windows are flanked by flat wooden pilasters, surmounted by flat wooden lintels and underlined by flat wooden sills.

The main rectangular entrance door is located on the north side of the main building block's east wall. A one-story high, hipped roof, open porch runs along the entire east and north wall of the central living room, projecting bay, serving as a covered entrance to the main entrance. Another back entrance is located on the south side of the west wall of the shed roofed, shingled addition. Three wide, poured in place, concrete steps, flanked by an iron railing, lead to its rectangular entrance door, covered by a gabled roof portico.

### EAST ELEVATION

The most dominant element of this elevation is the east wall of the two story high, intersecting gable roof, central projecting bay, which features a strongly outlined pediment holding a horizontal rectangular attic window. This element is repeated on the gable ends of north and south walls of the main building block. In addition, the east wall of the projecting bay holds two first floor and one second floor window, similar to those already described.

The south side of the east wall of the main building block holds no apertures, while the north side holds the rectangular entrance, previously mentioned, which is covered by the hipped roof, open porch.

### NORTH ELEVATION

The north elevation of the projecting bay holds a central first and second floor window, similar to those already described.

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The north elevation of the main building block holds a similar first and second floor window, underlined by a one light, cellar window set into the granite block foundation.

#### WEST ELEVATION

The north side of the west elevation holds no apertures. This is the wall used by the corner staircase. Along the southern two thirds of this wall a two story high, shed roofed addition has been constructed, holding a central, rectangular back entrance door, covered by the gabled roof portico previously mentioned. It is flanked by a rectangular, double-hung window, similar to those already described, on the north and a six light rectangular window on the south. The second floor holds two small, three-over-one light, rectangular windows on the north and a double window on the south, each component separated and flanked by flat pilasters and holding one-over-one lights.

#### SOUTH ELEVATION

The south elevation of the main building block holds two first floor windows, similar to those described and a central second floor window, surmounted by the heavily outlined pediment and attic window previously described. A cellar window, similar to its east wall counter-part, lies below.

It is this wall of the central, projecting, living room bay which holds the one story high, semi-conical roofed bay window, which in turn holds three tall, narrow windows, similar to those already described. A single second floor window rests above.

The building, though modest in scale, has some fine elements such as the heavily outlined pediments of the three gable ends of the building, holding similar attic windows. The foundation, too, is noteworthy, constructed of square granite blocks. The "T" plan, too, is helpful to the total design, creating an exceptionally bright living room, flooded with light from the southern bay window and an interesting east facade.

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES      1913

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

The Frank Boggs House is significant to Howard County and the State of Maryland historically within the context of local history and architecturally as an interesting example of the Shingle Style.

Historically, the building is constructed on land, which was once a part of Chew's Resolution Manor. Grover C. Kirn paid his father and mother, Jacob and Mary Kirn, \$2,000 on September 30, 1911. The house, however, was not finished until 1913 for old newspapers have been found in the walls of the house with that date. Only a few years later, in 1917, the building was acquired by Elizabeth and Michael Cooney. Mr. Cooney was an auctioneer and was responsible for several additions to the house in 1940, among which was a mantelpiece in the middle of the living room's west wall and the shed roofed addition along the west wall.

Five houses compose Kirn's Hill, two of which remain owned by daughters of Jacob and Mary Kirn. This passage of land from father to children on which houses were constructed is a tradition of those who settled Maryland. The early settlers of Anne Arundel County bought large tracts of land in what is now Howard County, but was then the northern area of Anne Arundel County, simply to be sure to provide for their sons and daughters. Jacob and Mary Kirn are a twentieth century example of an eighteenth century tradition and as such, Kirn's Hill and the Frank Boggs House are important as a link in the continuity of traditions in the history of Maryland.

Architecturally, this house has several features, which give it worth 1) It's "T" plan is of interest for it reverses the role of the service wing to the entrance and living room. Here the base of the "T" becomes the front of the house rather than the back and is occupied by the living room, creating a more flexible floor plan, with entrances to both kitchen and hall from it. The hall remains dominant and large in scale in relationship to the living room and kitchen, as is traditionally the case, but the living room occupies the base of the "T", rather than the kitchen, while the main entrance, staircase and hall occupies half of the main building block behind the living room. Entrances lead to and from the hall and kitchen through the living room for good circulation. The house is typical of the shingle style, where staircases are often found in a corner of the

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such as at Banavie and the Knoll off Landing Road.

Experimentation and innovation is found in the floor plans of the twentieth century, attempting to make circulation function creatively, often placing the staircase in the corner to free space for other use. 2) The repetition of the heavily pedimented gables and their windows is another interesting feature, which supplies continuity and rythm to the building.

Together with the other four buildings of Kirn's Hill, the Frank Boggs House forms an important early twentieth century, Victorian, building complex.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Howard County Land Records

Interview with Mrs. Frank Boggs on Monday, January 21, 1980 at her residence.

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 5.89 acres

Please see Attachment 1, Tax Map 31

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Please see Howard County Land Records, Liber 170 Folio 385

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES ADJACENT TO THE STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE Maryland

COUNTY Howard

STATE

**FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME

George Barnes Thompson, Jr.

ORGANIZATION

Howard County Planning & Zoning Commission

DATE

April 10, 1980

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TITLE SEARCH OF THE FRANK BOGGS HOUSE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Liber-Folio</u>	<u>Grantor</u>	<u>Grantee</u>	<u>Acreage</u>
6/6/41	170-385	Elizabeth Cooney	Frank Boggs	2.4 A. + 16,700 sq. ft. P/O Chew's Resolution Manor and Vines His Fancy
7/23/17	HBN104-70	Grover and Anna Kirn	Elizabeth & Michael Cooney	16,700 sq. ft.
7/23/17	HBN104-72	Jacob Kirn	Elizabeth & Michael Cooney	2.4 acres
9/30/11	WWLC91-580	Jacob & Mary Kirn	Grover C. Kirn	
9/30/95	JHO-63-581	William Reese Davis	Jacob Kirn	



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Frank Boggs House

~~WATERLOO~~  
(old Rte 175) Waterloo Road

, Ellensburg,

2-story Victorian Cottage  
built in the style popular around  
1880 with lots of turned  
ginger bread

located in field by MOB

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Frank W. Boggs

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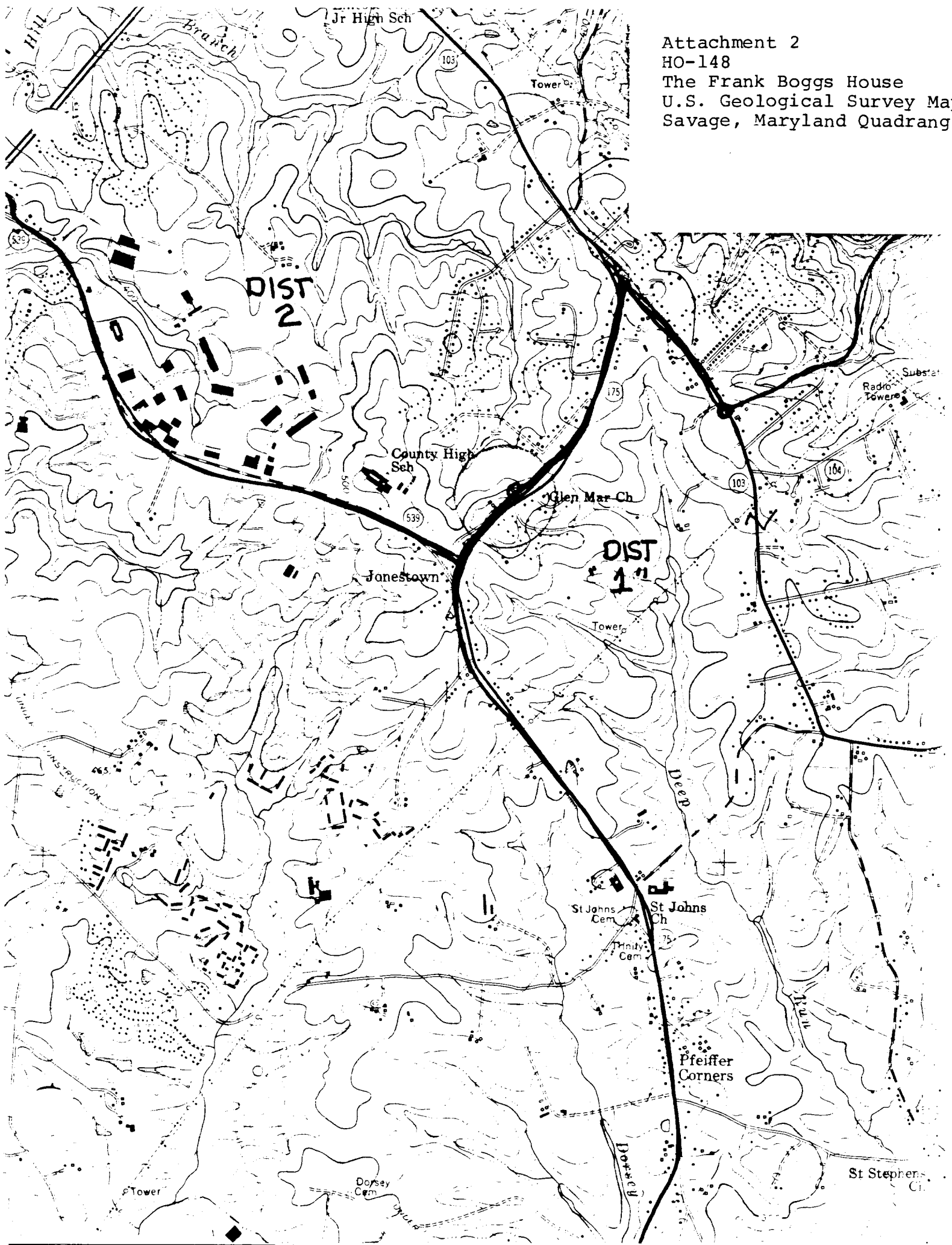
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Attachment 2  
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The Frank Boggs House  
U.S. Geological Survey Map  
Savage, Maryland Quadrang.





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THE FRANK BOGGS HOUSE

EAST  
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